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SUBJECT: SISCO MEETING WITH CYPRUS AMBASSADOR

1. CYPRUS AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU CALLED ON UNDERSECRETARY SISCO ON APRIL 24 TO COMPLAIN ABOUT RECENT "ILLEGAL" TURKISH ACTIVITIES REGARDING CYPRUS AND TO BE BRIEFED ON HARTMAN VISIT TO ANKARA. DIMITRIOU WAS PARTICULARLY CONCERNED ABOUT ALLEGED STATEMENTS OF THE TURKISH MINISTER OF LABOR THAT 10,000 LABORERS WILL BE SENT TO CYPRUS AND PLANS TO SETTLE 15,000 FAMILIES IN FAMAGUSTA. DIMITRIOU SAID THAT THESE, AS WELL AS PLANNED REFERENDUM ON DRAFT TURKISH-CYPRIOI CONSTITUTION, WERE ALL PART OF SYSTEMATIC POLICY OF CREATING FAIT ACCOMPLIS. DIMITRIOU HANDED OVER LIST OF BUSINESSES AND FACTORIES TAKEN OVER BY THE TURKS, AND CRITICIZED APRIL 23 PUBLIC STATEMENTS OF DENKTASH. SISCO SAID WE WOULD LOOK INTO THESE MATTERS.

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2. SISCO SAID THAT WE DID NOT YET HAVE ANYTHING ON HARTMAN'S APRIL 24 DISCUSSIONS WITH GREEK FOREIGN MINISTER BITSIOS. HOWEVER, WE HAVE FOLLOWING IMPRESSION FROM ANKARA PORTION OF TRIP: (1) THERE ARE STILL MAJOR DIFFI-

CULTIESIN ANKARA EMANATING FROM AID CUTOFF. (2) NO NEW

SUBSTANTIVE DEVELOPMENTS EMERGED BUT OUR IMPRESSION IS THAT TURKS WILL GO TO THE VIENNA TALKS WITH POSITIVE AND REASONABLE FRAME OF MIND, AND WE ARE ENCOURAGED BY THIS.

(3) DEMIREL GOVERNMENT IS STRONGER THAN CARE-TAKER REGIME, BEING A POLITICAL GOVERNMENT, BUT THERE IS STILL MUCH POLITICAL UNCERTAINTY IN ANKARA. (4) TURKS ARE PREPARED TO ENTER INTO A DIRECT DIALOGUE OVER THE AEGEAN. WE ARE ENCOURAGING BOTH GREECE AND TURKEY NOT TO LET THE AEGEAN BECOME ANOTHER SOURCE OF DIFFICULTY.

3. SISCO NOTED THAT MANY DIFFICULTIES REMAIN AND CAUTIONED AGAINST EXPECTATIONS OF DRAMATIC AND IMMEDIATE PROGRESS IN INTERCOMMUNAL TALKS. MAIN THING IS FOR EACH SIDE TO GO INTO TALKS WITH POSITIVE ATTITUDE OF SEEING WHAT CAN BE DONE. TIME FOR ISOLATED GESTURES IS PAST AND ISSUE MUST BE APPROACHED ON AN OVERALL BASIS.

4. DIMITRIOU NOTED THAT CAGLAYANGIL'S PUBLIC STATEMENTS HAVE BEEN MODERATE. SISCO AGREED, SAYING THAT THIS HAD BEEN REFLECTED IN DISCUSSIONS WITH HARTMAN. SISCO REPEATED THAT TURKS WILL GO INTO TALKS WITH A POSITIVE ATTITUDE BUT STRESSED AGAIN THAT THE AID CUTOFF REMAINED A MAJOR PROBLEM. DIMITRIOU ASKED WHAT COULD BE DONE AND WHY THE TURKS CAN'T DO SOMETHING ON CYPRUS WHICH WILL HELP THE SITUATION. SISCO SAID IT IS NOT A QUESTION OF INTRANSIGENCE BUT OF POLITICAL REALITIES IN ANKARA.

5. DIMITRIOU THEN INQUIRED ABOUT REPORTS OF POSSIBLE DEMIREL-CARAMANLIS MEETING. SISCO SAID THAT BOTH SIDES WANT TO FIND A WAY TO WORK OUT THEIR PROBLEMS, BUT THERE HAS BEEN NOTHING DEFINITE REGARDING A MEETING. THERE MAY BE A NATO SUMMIT MEETING AT THE END OF MAY, HOWEVER, AND, THOUGH EACH SIDE HAS SOME MISGIVINGS, HIS GUESS WAS THAT CARAMANLIS AND DEMIREL WOULD PROBABLY AGREE TO GO.
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SISCO ADDED THAT THE SECRETARY WAS SCHEDULED TO GO TO CENTO MEETINGS IN ANKARA MAY 22-23 AND THIS WOULD PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR FURTHER CONTACT WITH TURKS.

6. DIMITRIOU HOPED THE TURKS WOULD ABSTAIN FROM ACTIONS WHICH WOULD COMPLICATE ATMOSPHERE FOR TALKS. SISCO SAID THIS WAS EXACTLY THE LINE WE WERE TAKING. DIMITRIOU AGAIN SAID THAT CAGLAYANGIL HAS BEEN QUOTE GOOD UNQUOTE AND NOT MADE ANY NEGATIVE STATEMENTS.

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